MR. G. NARAYANAN TAMPI : ഡീസൽ ആയിൽ ഒരു ഗ്യാലന ഫ o ണ. ഫ സ. യാണ വില. ഒരു ഗ്യാലൻ ഡീസൽആയിൽ കൊണ്ട് ബസ്സ് ഫസ്റ്റ മൈൽ ഓടും. ഒരുഗ്യാലൻ പെട്രോളിനു ഫ ശ്ര. ർ ണ. ന്യസ. വിലയുണ്ട്. അതുകൊണ്ടു ഓട്ടിക്കുന്ന ബസ്സുകൾ ഗാലൻനൊക്ക ഫ ഉമൈൽ ഓടും. എന്നാൽ ഡീസൽബസ്സുകൾക്ക് കൂടുതൽ എൻജിൻ ആയിൽ ആവശ്യമുള്ളതുകൊണ്ട് അതിന്റെ വിലകൂടി കണക്കാക്കുമ്പോൾ ഡീസൽബസ്സും പെട്രോൾ ബസ്സും ഓട്ടിക്കുന്നതിൽ വരുന്നചെലവിൽ വലിയവ്യത്യാസമില്ല.

MR. P. SIVARAMA PILLAI : Sir, may I know what will be the cost of the body of the buses?

MR. G. NARAYANAN TAMPI : Sir, the 25 seater body, according to the standards and specifications prescribed by the Transport Department, would come up to Rs. 500.

MR. P. SIVARAMA PILLAI : May I know whether all these buses are in good working order?

MR. G. NARAYANAN TAMPI : Absolutely, Sir.

State Transport Service.

398 *MR. K. G. GOVINDAN (*Pattanamtitta*) : Will the Government be pleased to state :

(*a*) whether they have recently purchased a few second-hand motor buses from a private company for the use of the State Transport Service ;

(*b*) if so, the number of such buses purchased ;

(*c*) the total value thereof ;

(*d*) the reasons for purchasing second-hand buses locally instead of importing new ones from abroad and

(*e*) the name of the company from which the purchase was made ?

MR. G. NARAYANAN TAMPI (*Secretary to Government*) : (*a*) (*b*) and (*e*) 18 new buses, which had not been put in service, were purchased from the Poineer Motor Service, Nagercoil.

(*c*) Bh. Rs. 47,700.

(*d*) As additional vehicles were urgently required, the new buses were purchased locally so as to avoid the delay involved in the import of chassis and the construction of bodies.

English High Schools.

399 *MR. K. R. NARAYANAN (*Vaikam* cum *Kottayam*) : Will the Government be pleased to state :

(*a*) the number of applications received this year, requesting permission to open English High Schools and of these, the number granted ; and

LIBRARY ARCHIVES Kerala Legislative Assembly